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Dear Mr. Foster;

On behalf of the Debate Council and Columbia University please accept our thanks for your efforts in setting up the recent briefing. Please be kind enough to convey our special thanks to Mr. Pearson for his willingness to meet us and his informative and relaxed briefing.

In terms of evaluation, the students were pleased with the content of the discussion and Mr. Pearson's willingness to voice personal opinions and offer his insights into the lifestyle and career opportunities of State Department and CIA personel. The briefing was small and emminently discreet. Mr. Pearson, although not a polished orator, was effective in presenting data and giving us a conceptual framework to use in evaluating current events in the Middle East. The coverage of material, although not particularly revealing, stimulated discussion and lead to student follow-up.

From our perspective, the briefing was a success. Thank you again for your efforts on our behalf. I hope that we can arrange for a similar arrangement next year. Have an enjoyable summer.

With kindest regards, I remain

Director of Debate

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